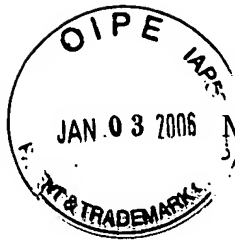


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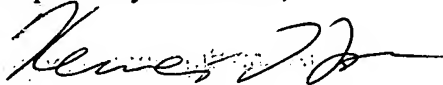
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RE: James DeGroot, Serial No. 10/799,276

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find an amendment in response to a second Office Action dated November 1, 2005, in which a two-month period for response was set regarding the above referenced matter. Accordingly, this response is timely.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the communication dated November 1, 2005, please amend the claim 6 as indicated below: